



## In the United States Patent and Trademark Office

Appellants :	Darryl F. Clark et al.	Docket No.:	14207
Serial No.:	09/742,830	Group:	1771
Confirmation No:	8827	Examiner:	C. Pratt
Filed:	December 20, 2000	Date:	September 23, 2003
For:	Fine Denier Multicomponent Fibers		

### Brief on Appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

MAIL STOP APPEAL BRIEF – PATENTS  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. BOX 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.192, Appellants respectfully submit this Brief in support of their Appeal of the Examiner's **Final Rejection** of claims 1-10 mailed on March 21, 2003.

On June 23, 2003, (June 21, 2003 was a Saturday), Appellants, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.191, timely mailed a Notice of Appeal. Thus, the time period for filing this Brief ends on August 23, 2003. Filed concurrently herewith is a Petition for a one-month Extension of Time, thereby extending the due date for filing this Appeal Brief until September 23, 2003.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.192(a), this Appeal Brief is filed in triplicate.

---

#### Real Party in Interest

10/31/2003 TROSS1 00000004 110875 09742830

01 FC:1402

The present Application has been assigned to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc.

---

#### Related Appeals and Interferences

At this time, the Appellants, Assignee, and Appellants' representative are not aware of any related appeals or interferences which will directly affect or will be directly affected by or have a bearing on the Board's decision in this pending appeal.

---

**Conclusion**

For the reasons stated above it is Appellant's position that the Examiner's rejection of claims has been shown to be untenable and should be **reversed** by the Board.

Please charge the \$320.00 fee, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(c), for filing this Appeal Brief to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875. Any additional prosecutorial fees which are due may also be charged to deposit account number 11-0875.

The undersigned may be reached at: 770-587-7204

Respectfully submitted,

Darryl F. CLARK et al.

By: 

Ralph H. Dean, Jr.

Registration No.: 41,550

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I, Ralph H. Dean, Jr., hereby certify that on September 23, 2003 this document is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Appeal Brief - Patents, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

By: 

Ralph H. Dean, Jr.